

PREMIER DEFENDS TREATY SECRECY

Lloyd George Admits Settlement of Fiume Will Be "Tremendously Difficult."

LONDON, Dec. 23.—During debate on the foreign situation, which followed proposal of the Irish plan, Lloyd George defended the secrecy of peace proceedings, declaring that everyone was trying to find a settlement and nobody was "playing the game" against another.

Taking up the Fiume situation, the premier said France, America, and Great Britain all realized the importance of a proper solution. He admitted a satisfactory settlement was going to be tremendously difficult.

Great Britain is "free to reconsider her position" on the proposed Franco-British-American alliance, which would guarantee France against wanton aggression on the part of Germany, Lloyd George asserted. Until America ratifies the pact, Britain is not bound, he said.

The allies are in "complete accord" in their policy of nonintervention in Russia, he said. It is "hopeless to talk peace with Russia until a representative government is established," he added.

The premier said he had invited Premier Nitti of Italy to confer with himself and Premier Clemenceau of France. This conference, he said, probably will be held within the next few days at Paris. An American representative may be present.

Great Britain already has spent \$12,500,000 in relief work in Austria, the premier revealed. She will be unable to continue unless America comes to her aid, he added frankly.

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OFFER SUBSTITUTE DYE IMPORT BILL

Proposed Measure Would Authorize Tariff Board to List Chemicals.

A substitute proposed for the licensing feature of the Longworth dye bill finds favor with those members of the Senate Finance Committee who have been opposed to giving authority to a Governmental or semi-Governmental board to say whether or not individual shipments of coal tar dyes, chemicals, and other products shall be admitted to the United States.

Efforts will be made by the proponents of the substitute plan to effect an agreement whereby protective legislation may be enacted.

The proposed substitute would authorize the United States Tariff Commission to draw up two lists, one of which would contain the names of all such coal tar dyes and chemicals as are not produced in quantity or quality sufficient to meet requirements of consumers. The other list would contain the names of substitutes.

All of the dyes and chemicals on the first named list can be imported by or for consumers with but the one restriction that the quantities brought in shall not exceed a six months' supply. This would give an opportunity for the consumers to get all the dyes they might need and at the same time permit the dye manufacturers, should they so desire, to meet the foreign competition by producing any or all the commodities named on the importable list.

It is the intention of Congress and the desire of the President to give protection to the coal tar dye and chemical industries to the fullest extent. However, Congress is disinclined to give protection to these at the expense of other industries. It has been charged that under the licensing system of the Longworth bill, American textile and other dye-consuming industries would be put at a disadvantage. Before they could bring into this country any foreign dyes they would have to prove that the dyes named were not produced here, or if produced here, that they are not suitable to the use to which they are to be put. This would result in lengthy proceedings and controversies that would extend over a period of time and the delay itself would eliminate the need for the product.

The licensing system was described by opposing witnesses, at hearings before the Senate Finance Committee, as being "a barbed-wire entanglement of red tape" that would upset the dye-consuming industries while building up a dye products monopoly greater than the one now existing in Germany.

"FED UP ON SENATE," VICE PRESIDENT SAYS

After Seven Years, Presiding Officer Has Enough—Won't Run for Seat There.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—Vice President Thomas Riley Marshall paused long enough in his Christmas shopping today to issue a statement declaring that under no circumstances will he become a candidate for the United States Senate. Having presided over the Senate for seven years, he said that he is all "fed up on it." His statement was inspired by a story in a New York paper last week that he is to become a Senatorial candidate.

Said the Vice President: "I am not a candidate for any office. I do not propose to enter any primary for President, but nobody knows, least of all myself, what course of conduct would be pursued in the improbable event of factional fights and inability in the Democratic convention to make a nomination among the candidates which would receive the whole-hearted support of the party."

SHIP BOARD TO RULE ON SALOONS ON OCEAN

Shipping Board officials are expected to test case on the application of the prohibition laws to Government-owned vessels on the high seas.

It is expected that the steamship Moccasin, due to leave New York December 27, will open up a full-fledged bar when the three-mile limit is passed.

It is pointed out that this vessel, which has been allocated to the Munson Line for South American passenger service, has an excellent refrigerating system and is bound for a climate where a brew stronger than 2.75 per cent might be demanded on holidays by some of the 125 passengers.

Charles F. Patterson, general counsel for the Shipping Board, recently gave a personal opinion that Government-owned vessels could sell liquor outside the three-mile limit, but the

advisability of making a definite ruling was questioned by Chairman Payne.

The matter has thereby been left to the ship operators. Deputy Commissioner Gaylord, of the Prohibition Enforcement Bureau, said that the Government could not interfere with the sale of liquor on privately owned vessels when outside the three-mile

limit, but that the question of Government-owned vessels would have to be passed upon by the bureau's counsel. This would be done, he said, if the matter were placed before the bureau.

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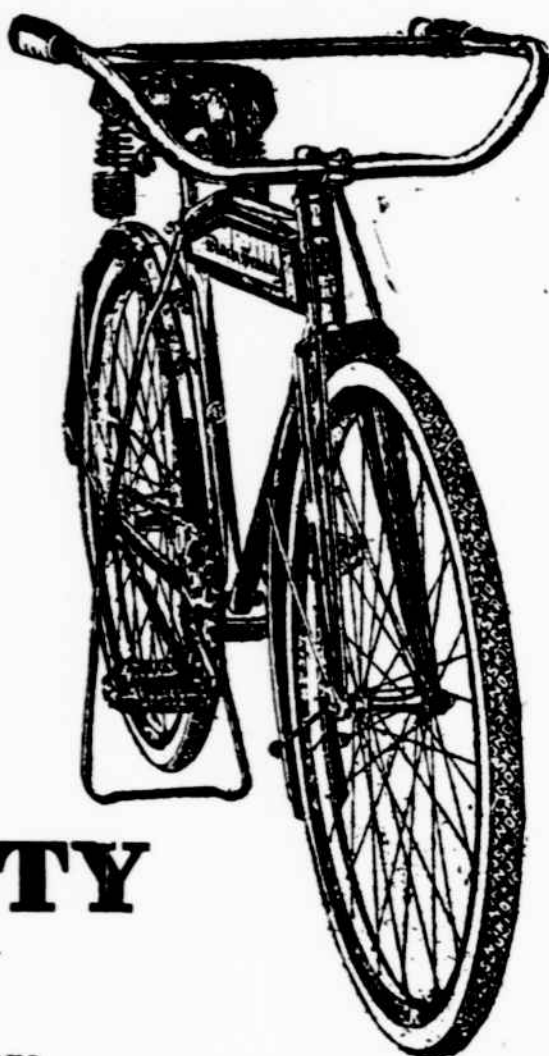
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